

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF
DIETMAR HÜGLIN ET AL
CONT OF APPLICATION NO: 09/306,005
FILED: CONCURRENTLY HEREWITH
FOR: USE OF NANODISPERSIONS IN
COSMETIC END FORMULATIONS

Group Art Unit: 1615
Examiner: G. Kishore

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Kindly amend this application as follows prior to calculation of the filing fee and consideration on the merits.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel without prejudice claims 1-31.

Please add the following claims.

--32. (new) A method of preparing a cosmetic formulation of a lipophilic cosmetic active agent in the form of an aqueous nanodispersion, which steps consist essentially of

(α) mixing the components

(a) 0.1 to 30 % by weight of a phospholipid,

(b) 1 to 50 % by weight of a polyoxyethylene coemulsifier,